# October Meeting

When: 7:00 p.m.

Monday, October 1, 2012

Where: Trinity United Methodist Church

4001 Speedway

**Note:** HPNA general meetings usually take place on the first Monday of each month.

### HPNA General Meeting Agenda for Oct 1<sup>st</sup>

- Elections Hyde Park
   Neighborhood Association Steering
   Committee
- → Mary Arnett Fighting Graffiti

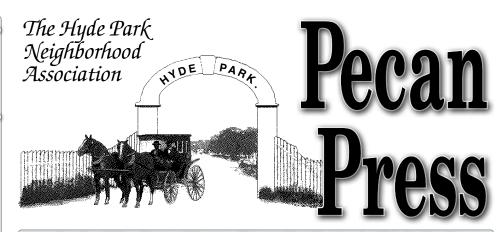
A brief perusal of the listserv over the past few months makes it clear that one subject heavily on the minds of Hyde Parkers is graffiti: where to report it, how to fight it, who's doing it.

Mary Arnett is a neighborhood activist and an active member of CLASP, the Citizen Led Austin Safety Partnership, an organization that brings together volunteers who want to address crime prevention at the neighborhood level. She will address the issue of graffiti at our October meeting - her efforts to combat it and ideas for combating it in Hyde Park.

All Hyde Park residents are welcome.

# Happening Around Hyde Park

- Get to know your neighbors and community! Join HPNA at the October meeting or the Fire Station Festival. Or by mail (see page 3).
- The Fire Station Festival will be held Sunday, October 21st at 4:00 p.m. at Fire Station #9, 43rd and Speedway.
- The Hyde Park Contact Team will hold its regular quarterly meeting on Monday, October 22, 7-8:30 p.m. at Trinity United Methodist Church, 4001 Speedway. All are invited.



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# 38<sup>th</sup> Annual Fire Station Festival Countdown to October 21<sup>st</sup>

The fabulously fun Fire Station Festival is almost here! Thank you to our major funders, Hyde Park Neighborhood Association (HPNA) and Grande Communications. The Festival will be held Sunday, October 21<sup>st</sup> at 4:00 p.m. at Fire Station #9, 43<sup>rd</sup> and Speedway.

Your Festival Planning Committee is hard at work creating another memorable event honoring the partnership between Fire Station #9 and our neighborhood while celebrating the effectiveness and impact of citizen involvement.

Several new activities are in the planning stages to engage preteens and early teens. (I have to tell you that as an adult, I'm going to be engaged as well.) Also, we are continuing to build on our past efforts to be "green" at the Festival with biodegradable balloons, recycling bins, and utilizing materials and products produced sustainably.

The Committee is also grappling with the question of providing sufficient space to celebrate with ever increasing participation. We want everyone to enjoy the Festival and not feel too cramped so... after the Festival, please let us know your thoughts on providing more space for the Festival next year as well as what you enjoyed this year and how we may continue to improve the festival. We are already discussing 2013 ideas.

Linda van Bavel with Matthew Ott is designing and marketing the event to our friends and neigh-



Best seat ever.

bors. The parade route and Festival details may be found at this site thanks to Robin Silberling. <www.austinhydepark.org/events/fsfestival>

The Festival activities begin at 3:30 p.m. Sunday, October 21st, with a gathering at Shipe Park to form the traditional and eclectic Fire Station Festival Parade appealing to the child in all of us. Gabi Snyder and Kelly Schaub are cre-

# From the President's Desk:

This is my last column as president. Thank you for giving me the opportunity to serve lacktriangle in that role for the past two years. It has been a wonderful learning experience for me. I really appreciate everyone who helped out and made the job easier!

Shortly after the September issue went to press, Mike Pikulski offered to serve as co-secretary so the nominations committee has added him to our recommendations for next year's officers. Thanks to Sharon Brown, Adam Wilson and Carolyn Grimes for all their work recruiting some excellent nominees! The nomination committee slate is:

- Co-Presidents John Williams and Ashley Schweickart
- Vice President Mark Fishman
- Co-Secretaries Claire de Young

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- Co-Treasurers I Jay Aarons and Lynne Hohlfeld
- AtLarge Steering Committee: *full terms (four seats):* Lorre Weidlich Eric Stumberg Kathy Lawrence Annette Lucksinger
- Filling a vacancy (one seat): Paul Kamprath

This would be a very long column if I described what each of these nominees brings to HPNA so I will limit myself to introducing the nominees for co-president. John Williams has served as covice president for two terms, served in an at-large seat on the steering committee before that and has organized volunteers for the Homes Tour for several years. Ashley Schweickart served as HPNA co-secretary this year and has been an important volunteer on numerous HPNA efforts, including It's My Park Day, National Night Out and efforts to preserve Baker School. She also is actively engaged with the Hyde Park Neighborhood Plan Contact Team and currently serves as its secretary. They both contribute a great deal to Hyde Park and HPNA and I am delighted that they agreed to be nominated to lead the association!

There are also some hard-working at-large steering committee members who we could not nominate for additional terms in that role because of term limits so I will take a little time here to highlight a fraction of what they have done for HPNA.



Stan Kozinsky is a remarkable artisan who has built many things for the neighborhood over many years, including the concrete Hyde Park markers that are at many corners in the neighborhood and the petrified wood wall at Shipe Park.

John Paul Moore has put a great deal of energy into numerous HPNA efforts. He has headed up HPNA's tree committee for many years. He has been an important part of many homes tours. He has researched and written up the history of many Hyde Park homes

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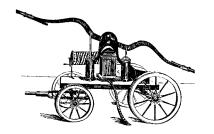


and has served as a guide on the tour buses numerous times. He also is a frequent contributor to the *Pecan Press*.

Finally, congratulations to neighbors Marco Rini and Tim Cuppett, whose home was featured as the cover story of the September 2012 issue of *Country Living!* If you can't find that issue in the stores by the time you read this, the story on their home and what they have done with it is available online:

<www.countryliving.com/homes/
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# Ten Reasons to Join the Hyde Park Neighborhood Association:

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Twant to meet my neighbors.

need someone to bring in my mail when I'm gone.

want to be a bridge connecting old Austin with the future.

want to find someone to debate, that I don't live with. ;-)

want to meet the person I've "talked" to on the neighborhood list.

Twant to meet a Fire Fighter helping with the Fire Station Festival.

 ${f I}$ think I can do a better of job of \_\_\_\_\_\_ (come tell us!).

Twant to be more involved in my community.

Twant to help with the Homes Tour so I get a first peek.

| Hyde Park Neighborhood Association Enrollment  | 2012-13 Membership                    | HPNA Membership Info  |
|--|---------------------------------------|---|
| NamePhone  |                                       | All memberships expire on September 30th of each year.  |
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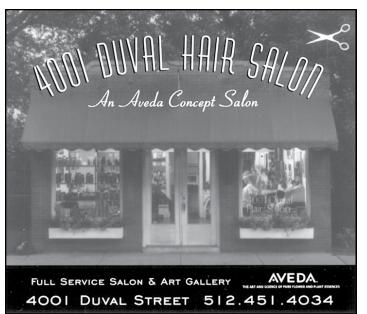
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ating an inspiring parade event. The parade departs Shipe Park at 4:00 p.m.



Wear your Halloween costume. Decorate your bikes, strollers, wagons, pets, vehicles, movable objects, and yourselves. Prizes will be given for best decorated wheels, best decorated pet, scariest costume, silliest costume, most creative and a best of categories. Bring musical instruments or noisemakers to play as you march in the parade.

With the fire truck from Fire Station #9 in the lead and the McCallum High School Fine Arts Academy drum line playing, this event will be thrilling. Up to 18 members playing drums -- Can't wait! Not in the parade? Find a prime viewing spot along the parade route and cheer the participants.

Meanwhile at the Fire Station, folks will be gathering at 4:00 p.m. to prepare for the arrival of the Parade and get an early start in celebrating. Lynne Hohlfeld leads set-up to provide the perfect Festival

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environment using furniture provided by the Montessori Center and Trinity United Methodist Church. Sarah Brooks and Sarah Hummel are creating signage to inform us who to thank for contributing to a great neighborhood and Festival.

Joan Yamini and Liz Lock with Walgreens create a magical land of activities for children. Nhaila Hendrickse, Carolyn Grimes and Grande Communications are creating new activities to engage the teenager in all of us.

Paula Rhodes with Hyde Park Bar and Grill, Fresh Plus, Quacks, Dolce Vita, and Wheatsville will make sure that we are refreshed with food and drink. Mary LaTouf is acquiring a new music group for our listening and dancing pleasure until 6:00 p.m. when the Festival ends.

We are again supporting Heart House now known as Behive, <www.behiveaustin.org>. Through their afterschool programs, they provide a safe haven for children and encourage good citizenship. Gently used books for K-6 children are needed. Bring books to Shipe Park and look for Lynda Baker with the red wagon to drop off your books before you march in the parade. Also, look for the donation box at the Fire Station during the Festival and at Fresh Plus two weeks prior to the Festival.

Rain or shine – be there on October 21<sup>st</sup> to celebrate with us. Invite your friends to join you in the parade. Be a spectator to cheer on the parade participants. Bring \$5 to join your neighborhood association and bring gently used books for K-6 children at Behive Austin.

In the meantime, we need volunteers to help us create this celebratory experience. Please let me know where your interest lies and we'll ensure your talent and skills are put to good use for this event.

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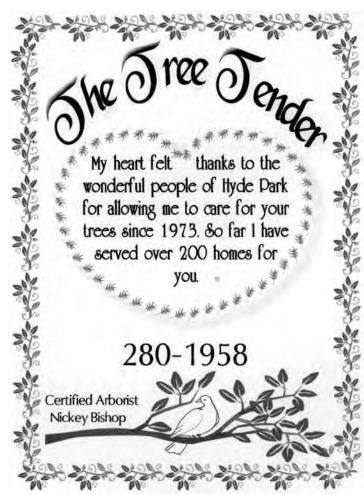


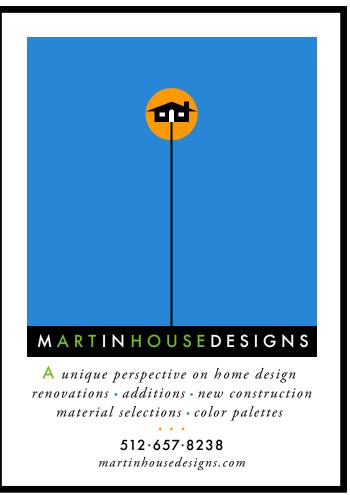
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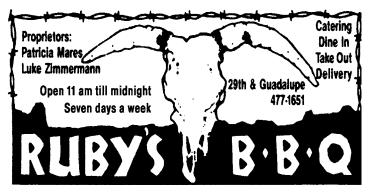
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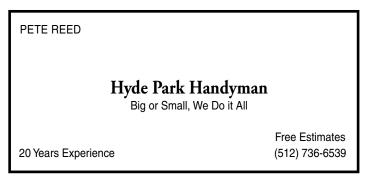
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# HPNA General Meeting Minutes: Sept. 10, 2012

The meeting was called to order by President Lisa Harris at 7:04 p.m. Lisa informed attendees that the previously scheduled speakers on the meeting agenda, Ms. Haywood and Ms. Valenti, had to cancel and would not be able to present. However, both have been asked to speak at the November meeting of the neighborhood association.

The first item of business was a brief presentation by representatives of Grande Communications regarding upcoming service outages. Grande passed out a Conversion Schedule, which outlines when and where work will be conducted in Hyde Park, starting on Monday, September 17<sup>th</sup>. This work will not affect residents north of 45<sup>th</sup> Street. Grande also stated that its employees voluntarily provide a percentage of their paychecks for funding worthy local charities or 501(c)(3) organizations and Grande is encouraging Hyde Park residents to recommend organizations for funding.

The second item of business was a brief update on the Hyde Park Homes Tour by Co-Chair David Conner. David stated that the Homes Tour will take place on Sunday, November 11th from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. The theme will be "Reinvented, Rewarding, & Real." There are seven houses on the tour this year, none of which have been on the Homes Tour previously. David and fellow Co-Chair Lorre Weidlich are still looking for more volunteers including one House Captain and a few Docents. There is typically one House Captain per home who organizes the Docents and does a walk-through of the home with its owners prior to the tour in order to find out more about the unique and historical features of the home to ultimately share that information with the tour participants. Anyone interested in volunteering is asked to contact HPNA Vice President John Williams at <jawilli@grandecom.net>.

The third item of business was announcing the Officer & Steering Committee Nominations Slate by Lisa Harris. The Nominations Committee proposed this slate in the September issue of the Pecan Press: John Williams and Ashley Schweickart have been nominated as Co-Presidents, Mark Fishman as Vice President, Claire de Young and Mike Pikulski as Co-Secretaries, I Jay Aarons and Lynne Hohlfield as Co-Treasurers, and Lorre Weidlich, Eric Stumberg, Kathy Lawrence, Annette Lucksinger, and Paul Kamprath as At-Large Steering Committee Members. As term limits were put in place last year, John Paul Moore and Stan Kozinsky's terms on the Steering Committee are expiring.

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Additional nominations may be made on the floor at the October HPNA meeting. Lisa also acknowledged HPNA's new Membership Committee Chairs Sharon Brown and Karen Saadeh.

Finally, the floor was open for announcements. Lisa Harris stated that the Fire Station Festival will take place on October 21st from 4 to 6 p.m. David Conner stated that the developer of the Perry Estate has been invited to the September meeting of the Hyde Park Development Review Committee (DRC) to discuss plans for renovating the site. Karen Saadeh stated that the developer's proposed site plan is posted online. Ashley Schweickart stated that the Hyde Park Contact Team will hold its next meeting on Wednesday, September 12th from 7–8:30 p.m in the Hancock Recreation Center. Doris Coward stated that the Citizens Advisory Committee for the Airport Redevelopment Initiative will be meeting again in October but there are no updates since June.

Adam Wilson stated that there are still plots open in the community garden space (Griffin Gardens) at the Griffin School and that Griffin Gardens is hosting a free workshop on Saturday, September 15<sup>th</sup> about planting your fall garden. The workshop will be from 10 a.m-noon at the outdoor classroom just next to the garden space. Adam also stated that the City will be in contact with an outside vendor to assess Austin's pool facilities and make renovation recommendations for a Master Plan. The Friends of Shipe Park are becoming involved in the assessment process for Shipe Pool. Finally, Fred Ruof invited neighbors to be involved in the Citizens Climate Lobby—interested persons can find out more online or by emailing <austin@citizensclimatelobby.org>.

There being no further business, the official meeting was adjourned at 7:38 p.m.

Ashley Schweickart,
 Claire de Young,
 HPNA Co-Secretaries







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#### Youth Groups

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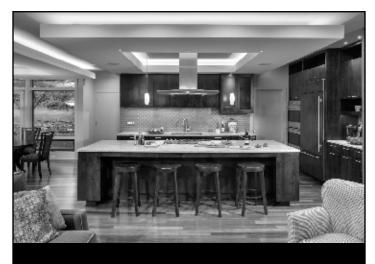
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# Hyde Park: Reinvented, Rewarding, and Real

It's the beginning of October and we're counting down the days until November 11. Our theme this year, *Hyde Park:*Reinvented, Rewarding, and Real, reflects the character of the houses on the tour.



The Carapetyan Home, photo by Paul Carapetyan

These houses are not frozen in time, they are vintage homes reinvented for the twenty-first century, old but new again, with historic exteriors and contemporary interiors. Two houses on the tour, the Carapetyan house on Duval and the Young house on Avenue H, are beautiful examples of this.



The Young Home, photo by Tammy Young.

It's time to volunteer. We need docents, ticket sellers, and people to address tourists on the tour bus. All volunteers are invited to our post-tour party at the NeWorlDeli. To volunteer, contact Volunteer Coordinator John Williams at <jawilli@grandecom.net>.

 Lorre Weidlich, Homes Tour Co-Chair David Conner, Homes Tour Co-Chair



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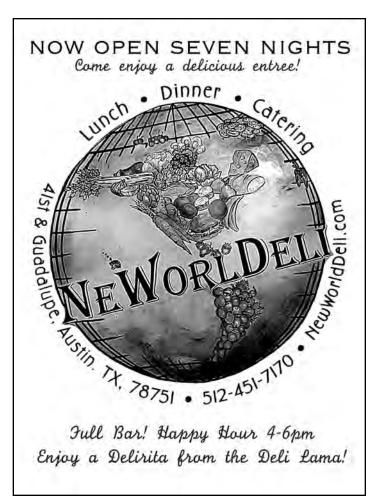
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# Upper Airport Blvd. Form-Based Code (FBC) Initiative

The Upper Airport Boulevard FBC Initiative is being developed by a Team consisting of a wide range of city staff and consultants hired by City Council. (Go to <www.airportboulevard.com> for background information about the initiative.)

The Team is managed by Jorge Rousellin and Alan Holt from the Urban Design Division, Planning and Development Department. The Team, along with a wide range of representatives from other city departments, spent the summer exploring and developing initial proposals related to FBC. Their purpose was to coordinate initial FBC proposals with the existing Land Development Code and to develop draft sections of the code for review by the community. The Team is currently exploring and developing proposals related to open space typologies, regional approaches to water quality, and watershed improvements.

After city staff review the various proposals currently in production, in mid-October the Airport Boulevard Advisory Group (AG) will review the recommendations for Phase I. The Phase I review will be followed by review of Phases II and III later in October and in early December. The purpose of those reviews will be to discuss the city staff-vetted options and present various scenarios. An open house will follow in February for all interested community stakeholders.

The FBC Initiative will be presented to the Austin City Planning Commission Neighborhood Planning Committee in late February and to Boards and Commissions and City Council in March and April.

 Doris Coward, HPNA representative to the Airport Boulevard FBC Initiative Advisory Group.

# Hyde Park Poets \_\_\_\_

# Final Remembrance

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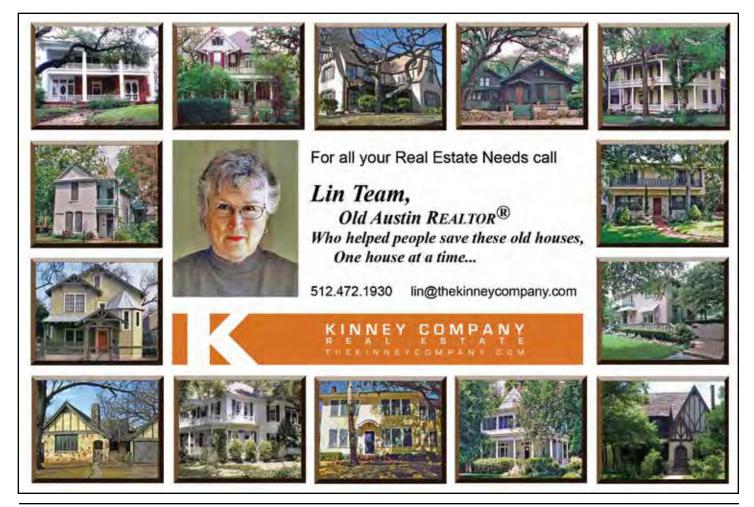
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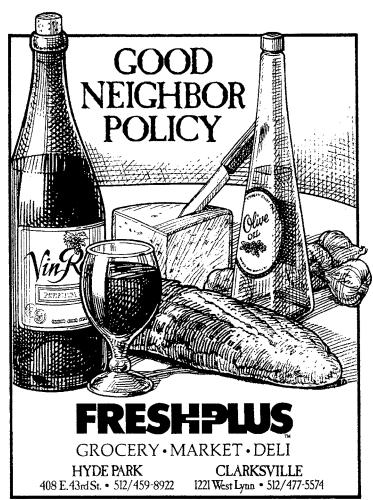


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# Steering Committee Launching Neighborhood Outreach

The Steering Committee of the Hyde Park Neighborhood Association voted unanimously to launch a Neighborhood Outreach Committee at their September 17 meeting. The goal of the committee is to nurture the sense of community of the residents in Hyde Park.

Among other things, these are some of the activities the committee will propose and organize if there is interest.

- New resident welcome packet
  - Hyde Park "brochure"
    - Map
    - Paragraph or two about local businesses, Ney, Shipe Park, bus service, etc.
    - Coupons from local businesses
    - History of Hyde Park, including HPNA's leadership role in citywide neighborhood issues
    - Homes tour history and overview
- Outreach to non-HPNA residents
  - Membership drive
  - Survey of issues important to residents
  - Propose, determine interest in and find leaders for special interest groups (gardening, composting, bee-keeping, New Orleans Saints fans (Drew Brees lived in Hyde Park in the mid 80s), book clubs, solar cooking, wine tasting,etc)
- Child care available at meetings
- Appreciation party for *Pecan Press* delivery persons
- Tool sharing process
- Pecan pie "cook-off" for the December meeting
- Reporting of "human interest" stories of people, places or organizations in the neighborhood in *Pecan Press*

Larry Gilg will serve as chairperson of the committee. We plan to survey neighbors' inputs for the committee through the listserv, the *Pecan Press*, and specific meetings. Stay tuned.

Larry Gilg





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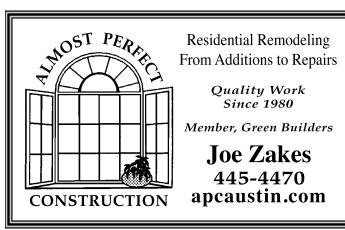
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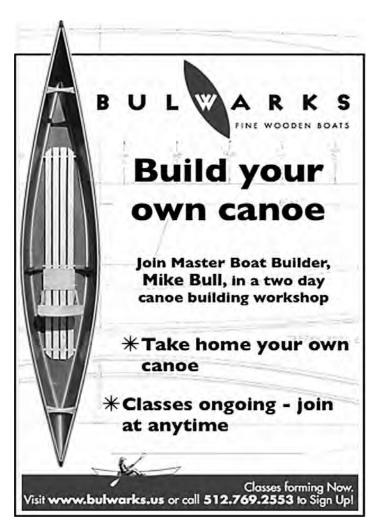
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## **Corner on Politics**

Elections will be held on Tuesday,
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If you have not yet registered to vote, you have until October 9th to do so. Information regarding registration, early voting, mail-in voting, polling locations, what's on the ballot, and just about anything else you want to know can be found on the following websites. The first two are operated by the Texas Secretary of State and the third is the Travis County Clerk's Elections Division. Explore the websites for what you need to know.

<www.votetexas.gov>

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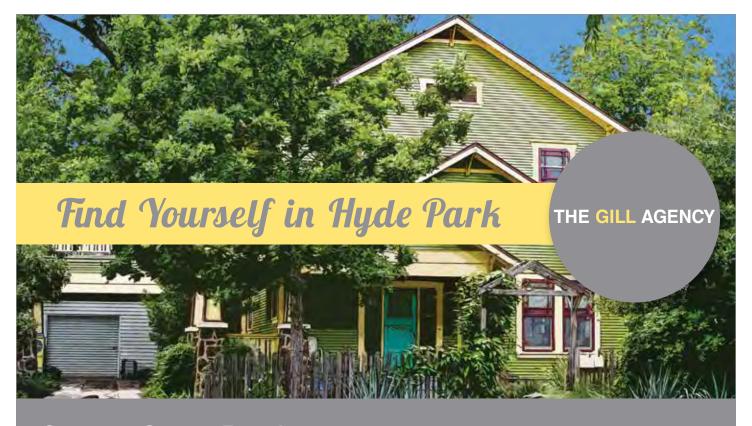
One thing to note is that photo ID will not be required at this election since a federal district court denied preclearance of legislation passed last session by the Texas Legislature. However, you still need to have some form of identification which ideally would be a voter registration card but many other forms of identification are acceptable including your Texas driver's license of course, a birth certificate, U.S. passport, and even a current utility bill among a variety of other documents. Consult the websites above for a complete list of acceptable identification. It's easy to find the information on the websites.

One issue that is particularly important to Austin residents and that has been discussed for decades is the composition of the city council. There are two propositions on the ballot relating to geographic representation by city council members. Proposition 3 creates 10 single member districts with the mayor elected at-large. Proposition 4 creates 8 single member districts, two at-large districts, and the mayor being elected at-large. People often refer to these as the 10-1 and 8-2-1 plans. If neither proposal passes then the current situation with all 7 council members elected at-large remains the same. If they both pass then the plan with the most votes wins.

There are pros and cons to all three of these potential outcomes so research the issue from the newspaper, website, or other information source of your choice and cast a knowledgeable vote. There are many other votes to be cast on the ballot but this is just one issue to remind us that an informed electorate helps maintain a healthy democracy.

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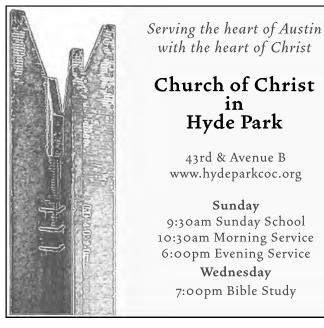


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# **Bike Lane Improvements**

In order to address traffic congestion and air quality, the City's Public Works Department is implementing and improving a bicycle route system, as directed by the Austin City Council per City Ordinance No. 20090611-075 (The Austin Bicycle Plan). Guadalupe Street is part of Route 33 of the City of Austin's bicycle system and was a named project in the 2010 Mobility Bond. Therefore bicycle facilities are planned to be installed around October this year from 24th Street to Lamar.

There are a couple of narrow sections of the street south of 29th where bi-directional bicycle lanes will not be feasible and an uphill only bicycle lane and shared lane markings will be utilized. For the rest of the corridor, dedicated bicycle lanes are planned. Bicycle and pedestrian spot improvements will also be made along the corridor that will require minor concrete work that will take 1-2 months to complete; this work will occur intermittently over the 1-2 months.

To install bicycle lanes, parking was originally proposed to be removed from West Guadalupe from 45th Street to Lamar. Based on feedback, we have altered the design so that parking in this area will be unaffected. No other parking changes were proposed as part of the project. The unaffected parking areas in addition to the aforementioned section on the west side from 45th and Lamar include on-street parking on the east side of Guadalupe between 40th and 43rd and on the west side of Guadalupe from 24th to Dean Keaton Street.

The City has hosted an open house to obtain additional information and obtain feedback on the proposed design on August 30th, 2012, from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Comments were received at the meeting and by email and phone and feedback has been addressed in the design. Feedback based on local experience frequently often results in improvements to initial project proposals so we thank all for their participation. If you have any questions about this project feel free to contact Nathan Wilkes at 974-7016 or nathan.wilkes@austintexas.gov.

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